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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF JAPAN
FOR GOATS EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services veterinarian. The certification shall contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States has been free from Foot-and-Mouth disease, Rinderpest, Peste des petitis ruminants, Sheep pox, goat pox, Rift valley fever, Contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, Brucella melitensis infection, Melioidosis, and Ovine and Caprine Babesiosis.
2. There has been no clinical, microbiological or serological evidence of Scrapie, Tuberculosis, Johne's disease, Caprine arthritis/encephalitis and Maedi-visna on the premises of origin for at lease 5 years prior to export.
3. There has been no clinical, microbiological, or serological evidence of Brucella abortus infection and no clinical or microbiological evidence of Vesicular stomatitis, Haemorrhagic septicemia, Anaplasmosis, Bluetongue, Aujeszky's disease, Enzootic abortion of ewes, Blackleg, Contagious pustular dermatitis, Infectious balanoposthitis, Contagious ophthalmia, Listeriosis, Toxoplasmosis and Campylobacteriosis on the premises of origin for at least 12 months prior to export.
4. The exported goat has not been inoculated with Brucella live-vaccine as far as possible.
5. The animals have been in a USDA-approved export isolation facilities for at least 7 days prior to shipment. During that time they have been inspected and found to be free of infectious and communicable disease.
6. The animals have been treated twice with dihydrostreptomycin at a rate of 25 mg/kg body weight at an interval of 10-14 days prior to shipment. The second treatment must be done during USDA-approved export isolation.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The animals were negative to the following tests between 20 and 60 days prior to export.

1. Tuberculosis: intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD
2. Johne's disease: intradermal Johnin test and complement-fixation (CF) or fecal culture test.

The animals were negative to the following tests during USDA - approved export isolation.

1. Brucellosis: standard tube agglutination test for brucella abortus at 1:50 dilution
2. Bluetongue: CF test at 1:5 dilution or agar-gel immunodiffusion test

OTHER INFORMATION

1. All equipment, containers, and vehicles used for transportation of animals for export shall be cleaned and disinfected with a USDA-approved disinfectant.
2. Feed and bedding to be used during the transportation shall be provided from the same source used for USDA-approved export isolation.
3. USDA-approved export isolation means that the animals are confined on a premises that has been inspected by a Veterinary Services (VS) inspector and meets all the requirements as outlined in VS memorandum 592.105 before any animals are placed in isolation.

EMBARKATION STATEMENT

At the port of embarkation, a Veterinary Services port veterinarian shall attach to the Origin Health Certificate the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) showing:

1. The name and address of the consignor.
2. The name and address of the consignee.
3. The number and species of animals to be shipped.

4. A statement that the animals have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.